

## CROWDS GATHER TO SEE PRELATES

Arrival of "Bishops' Special" Yesterday Afternoon Attracted Hundreds to Station.

## MORGAN WAS MARKED MAN

Tried to Escape Camera Man, but Did Not Succeed—Many Noted Men on Train.

For the next three weeks Richmond will be the centre of interest to those of the Episcopal faith of North America, for the eyes of the country are upon the General Convention, which opens this morning, to commemorate the three-hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the Protestant religion in the Western Hemisphere.

The city is filled with bishops, priests and laymen who are delegates to the convention, and with women who are in attendance on the various societies connected with the Episcopal Church.

**Bishops' Special.** Though many have been here for several days, and indeed a large number took part in the consecration of Holy Trinity Church on yesterday morning, the great majority reached Richmond on the "Bishops' Special" from Washington, which arrived at Elba Station shortly before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

A great throng of people had gathered to witness the arrival of the Episcopalians, many in order to welcome friends whom they were to entertain, and others simply out of curiosity to see certain celebrities who were passengers.

For an hour before the train pulled into the station the streets about Elba were blocked with vehicles of all sorts and kinds, from enormous motor-cars to humble runabouts, signifying the type of high and low church sentiment. The special left Washington shortly after 10:30 o'clock, and was scheduled to arrive here at 1:30 o'clock, but a delay was occasioned by stops made at the various historical points on the route, and so it was 1:50 o'clock when a great rush forward by the crowd announced the advent of the distinguished visitors.

**Arrival of Bishops of London.** The train was composed entirely of Pullmans, with Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan's private car at the rear, and every passenger was either directly or indirectly connected with the General Convention.

Among the first to reach the platform was the Lord Bishop of London, who, chaffing pleasantly with Major P. H. Mayo, walked to his carriage, followed by his chaplain, Mr. Anderson, and his friend and secretary, Mr. Christopher.

His lordship wore the typical dress of the prelates of the Church of England, but the brim of his high hat was a trifle more clerical than that of any of the other bishops.

He was driven to the Episcopal residence, where Bishop Gibson received him, and where he will stop during his stay in this city.

Never before in the history of Richmond had so many prelates gathered as were upon the platform of Elba Station, for not fewer than fifty descended from the train, while more than twice that number of clergymen were present. Bishops Montgomery and Jacob, the former the distinguished missionary authority, and the latter the learned able prelate of St. Albans, attracted great attention, while Bishop Potter, of New York, and Bishop Brent, of the Philippines, were no less remarked.

Many of the prelates were recognized by the purple symbol of their high office, some of them wearing gold crosses suspended by purple ribbons, while others wore the imperial color. These belonged to what is known as the high church party, for those of the low church approach in simple black, without any sign of their rank.

One of the most distinguished looking travelers was Dr. Randolph McKim, of Washington, who is the presiding officer of the lower house of the convention, and who is well known in Richmond, where he has often preached.

Bishop Lawrence, of Massachusetts, was also among those who came down from Washington, and who, as chairman of the House of Bishops he had the party directly under his charge, assisted by Bishop Satterlee, of the Washington Diocese.

**After Mr. Morgan.** To the curious eyes of which traveled in the private car Atlas was of the greatest interest, and gathered around two large motor cars a crowd waited to see Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, Bishop Doane, of Albany, and Bishop Greer, of New York. Camera flashes in shoals lined up to get snap shots of the great financier, and some adventurous spirits mounted to the roof of the station in order to insure a clear shot.

Mr. Morgan, however, after long years of experience, was wise in his generation and planned to escape the

## BISHOP OF LONDON AT HERMITAGE GOLF LINKS YESTERDAY



Bishop of London in foreground, with golf stick in hand. Mr. P. H. Mayo standing on extreme left of picture. The small picture shows the Bishop standing alone.

vulgar gaze of the public and the assaults of the camera artists. He lingered in his car until every other passenger in the special train had departed, and then ordered his two motor cars to make a flank movement to Laurel Street, where he planned to elude his tormentors.

The crowd, no less wise, followed after the motor cars, and not to be denied, surrounded them and waited for Mr. Morgan to make his appearance.

**Got Him at Last.** Finally, seeing that delay was futile, the eminent financier, looking anything but pleased, stepped out of his car, and then the excitement commenced.

A camera man approached and aimed, only to be balked by Mr. Sherry, Mr. Morgan's steward, who blanketed his employer. Again the camera was aimed, and this time a lady of the party cut off the view, but it was a hopeless struggle, so, taking this view of the situation, Mr. Morgan assumed a pleasant expression and submitted, with some sort of grace, to the unkind will of fate. Six times did the camera man fire at the financier, and at the sixth shot patience took wings, and the affair assumed the air of a strike. "You've gotten six, young man, and that's enough," quoth Mr. Morgan, turning quickly away. Entering his car, he was driven to the Episcopal residence on the corner of Grace and Second Streets, where he will entertain Bishop and Mrs. Doane, Bishop Greer, Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Mason.

**Where They Stay.** The bishops, clergy and lay delegates are scattered throughout the city, some stopping at the hotels and others at private residences. Last night the bishops and many of the clergy and delegates attended a reception at the Episcopal residence, given by the Rt. Rev. Robt. A. Gibson, Bishop of Virginia, in honor of the Lord Bishop of London.

Archbishop Nuttall, the ranking dignitary of all the prelates assembled here, with Bishop Tuttle, the senior bishop of the American church, and the Bishop of St. Albans, is stopping at the residence of Major P. H. Mayo.

Archbishop Nuttall's see comprises the diocese of the West Indies and Jamaica.

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## Convention Scenes and Notes

**Thronged With Visitors.** Throughout yesterday the offices in the basement of St. Paul's Church were thronged with visitors. The post-office seemed a place of great interest. It opened at 9 A. M. with a wagon load of mail, eight sacks of letters for the delegates having already arrived.

The hours observed by the government post-office will be from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. daily, and those who have not received their mail should report to the postmaster at St. Paul's Church at once.

Another even more busy office was the headquarters of the Committee of Arrangements, where the secretary, the Rev. T. C. Darst, was acting as a bureau of information, and where the chairmen of the hospitality committee, Mr. O. H. Foust, was one of the busiest men in town. Two telephones were kept going keeping him in communication with boarding houses and hotels, which were rapidly filling up with visitors, and a large number of delegates, especially to the Woman's Auxiliary, came in without having previously secured quarters.

The secretaries of the convention were busy men yesterday. Both Dr. Hart and Dr. Anstice had to put their rolls in order and make all the finishing preparations for their opening sessions this afternoon, and both reported all in readiness for the dispatch of business.

**Appearance of St. Paul's.** St. Paul's Church looks most attractive, the platform having been carpeted, and all the furniture placed in the building. The big organ was being tested last night, and showed itself to be an instrument of great power and sweetness of tone. The builders will have to remain in Richmond about two weeks longer to complete the careful tuning of the instrument, as well as to finish their work on the echo organ in the gallery, but all of their material is out of the way, and by working at night hereafter, they will in no way interfere with the sessions of the convention.

The Rev. Robert W. Forsyth, rector of St. Paul's, with a committee of representatives of the vestry of the church, were about the place yesterday to receive the visitors and look after their comfort.

Large standards surmounted by placards easily readable from the platform indicate where the seats of each diocesan delegation in the church will be, the seats being chosen by lot according to an established order of the church.

**Scene at Jefferson.** The Jefferson Hotel last night presented a spectacle of rare impressiveness and beauty, for, though the members of the Episcopal Convention are scattered in the four quarters of the city and in all the hostilities, here they gathered the greatest number, filling all the galleries, the auditorium and the great stairway down to the street floor, all engaged in animated conversation and discussion of the affairs of the church.

All the hotel clerks were busy answering a thousand and one questions. The hotel was filled, and many of the guests who came in late will be unable to get their baggage until some time to-day.

The Richmond and Murphy's Hotels found themselves much in the same situation. Both were filled with guests, with a constant flowing-in of more applicants for room. In all there was the same difficulty about the luggage, for, even with an increased force of draymen and wagons, the transfer companies are finding it a difficult matter to handle the great amount of baggage.

**Big Open-Air Service.** Plans are being matured for what may prove to be one of the most interesting features of the convention series, and what will no doubt prove to be the largest attended gathering in connection of which the meeting.

It is proposed to have the Bishop of London preach to the people of Richmond in the open air next Sunday afternoon from some public place such as the front portico of the Virginia State Capitol.

Nothing definite has been arranged as yet, nor has the distinguished English prelate definitely determined to preach next Sunday in Richmond, so that there may be complications in the

## SPENDS AFTERNOON AT GOLF LINKS

Bishop of London Engages in Spirited Game, But Is Defeated by Richmond Experts—Game of Tennis Scheduled for To-Morrow.

The Lord Bishop of London is nothing if not an ardent sportsman, and in no small degree that accounts for the wonderfully strong hold he has upon all who come under the spell of his continuous smile. No sooner had his lordship reached Richmond than he inquired if there were such a thing as a tennis court or golf links handy, and his inquiry fell upon fruitful soil.

It was not in Mr. Morgan's red motor car that the Bishop of London whirled away from Elba Station, nor did he go to the Rutherford house, as has been so graphically described by an accurate writer for an afternoon sheet. Alas! such a word picture looks well in print, but in truth his lordship drove slowly and solemnly away from the station in what is vulgarly known as a sea-going hack, and his guide and counselor and friend happened to be Major P. H. Mayo, and not the eminent gentleman from Wall Street.

**Voted for Golf.** As the negro driver got his conveyance into line with those occupied by prelates and preachers, Bishop Wilmington-Ingram asked casually if tennis or golf would best suit the afternoon.

His lordship leaned to tennis, probably on account of his recent victory over the energetic President, but Mr. Anderson, his chaplain; Mr. Christopher, his friend, who is traveling with him; and Major Mayo, all voted golf, and so it was settled.

Hermitage seemed a suitable retreat for the clergy, and those links were selected and a game was made up, before the sea-going hack had reached the Episcopal residence on Park Avenue, where Bishop Gibson welcomed his distinguished guest.

Directly after luncheon the golf enthusiasts set out for Hermitage. The Bishop of London desired to add the Bishop of Virginia to his list of conquered, and challenged him to a match, but Bishop Gibson declined the issue, and so his lordship went smiling to meet all comers on links that were to him an undiscovered country.

**Spilled His Stroke.** Dressed in flannels, a Norfolk jacket and a cap which had seen hard service, and accompanied by Major Mayo and Messrs. Anderson and Christopher, the bishop entered a motor car and stumped away to the links. Here Messrs. John W. Atkinson and William Palmer, Jr., were lying in wait, and without much ado, the game commenced with the bishop and Mr. Anderson playing for England.

Fifteen holes were played, and with varying fortune, for the right reverend and reverend gentlemen showed a knowledge of the game that flouted two Richmond experts with surprise. Major Mayo kept the score and although he leaned to the links, he stayed not from the rectitude of golf. Midway between the ninth and tenth holes, a diversion occurred when the natural enemy of ecclesiastics stealthily approached armed with a camera and deliberately fired a shot at the lord bishop with excellent effect.

"Young man, you've spoiled my stroke," spake His Lordship, but it's all in a summer's day," and he landed neatly upon the green.

When the fifteenth hole had been played and the totals had been counted up, it was found that the presidential defeat had been avenged, for the score read: America, 70; England, 75.

way. Bishop Gibson and several of the members of the Virginia delegation in the convention are known to be in favor of the plan.

It is said that the Bishop of London is a notable open-air preacher, having, in fact, made his great reputation as an orator in this work when suffragan Bishop of Stepney, when he preached on Sunday afternoon to immense gatherings of the silk weavers and factory employees of his diocese, producing profound results and holding his audience spellbound.

The proposition is to introduce in the convention at an early business session a resolution requesting the Bishop of London to hold such a service under the auspices of the convention, probably at 3 o'clock, so as not to interfere with the services at various churches at 5 o'clock. Details as to music, committee of arrangements, etc., have not been determined upon as yet, but the conception is a striking one, and if it can be carried out will be in many respects the most popular as well as one of the most profitable services of the convention series.

**Reunion of Alumni.** An interesting event of the General Convention will be the gathering of the alumni of the Virginia Theological Seminary, of Alexandria. The occasion will be in the form of a reunion, the feature of which will be a banquet at the Masonic Temple on October 11th.

The students of the seminary will have leave of absence commencing on Friday, October 4th, and extending through the following week. In order that the "seminites" may attend the sessions of the General Convention.

In detail the card was as follows: Hermitage Golf Club, October 1, '07. Self—John W. Atkinson and William H. Palmer, Jr. Opponent—Bishop of London and Rev. Mr. Anderson.

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## RICHMOND PEOPLE GREET DR. INGRAM

Brilliant Reception Given by Bishop Gibson in Honor of Noted Guest.

## WAS MOST STRIKING FIGURE

English Prelate Delights Everybody by Cordiality and Magnetic Personality.

The most important social event of yesterday was the reception given from 9 to 11 o'clock last evening by the Rt. Rev. Robert A. Gibson, Bishop of Virginia, at his residence, No. 906 Park Avenue, in honor of the Lord Bishop of London.

Guests of the evening were representatives from the various Richmond churches, who were thus given a delightful opportunity to meet and to know the distinguished visitor.

**Brilliant Scene.** In the receiving line stood the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of London, the Misses Gibson, Mrs. Edward V. Valentine and Miss Constance Fetterkin.

The episcopal residence, brilliantly lighted, was decorated with palms and Southern smilax, making an effective background for American Beauties in the drawing-rooms and golden glow and golden-rod in the halls.

As the visitors entered, they were introduced by Bishop Gibson to the Bishop of London, who charmed everyone by the cordiality of his response and by his magnetic personality. He was the centre of all eyes and thoughts, and stood, a slender, gracious, dignified figure, with thoughtful, scholarly face, interested in all who welcomed him, and in everything that occurred around him.

It was noted that he wore his silk apron, etched silver shoe buckles and knee buckles, and that he seemed somewhat fatigued because of his recent illness. He had to sit during part of the evening.

**Was Informal.** All Richmond churches were represented in the assembly of last evening. Miss Rebecca Norwood and Mrs. Charles B. Bolling were with the reception committee. The spirit of the reception was altogether informal, and was characterized by a charming simplicity that marked it for what it was, a gathering of Virginia churchmen and women to do honor to the distinguished visitor in their midst.

Supper was served during the evening, and at its close, fell a leave-taking that the opening entertainment of the Episcopal Convention had been a success that held the promise of everything good to come after it.

## WOMEN TO HOLD SESSIONS TO-DAY

Auxiliary and Daughters of the King to Have Important Meetings.

Business sessions of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Daughters of the King open to-day and will continue for several days with interesting addresses. The attendance of visiting ladies is expected to be exceptionally large, and it is thought that both gatherings will be successful in point of interest and attendance.

The eleventh annual convention of the Daughters of the King will begin at 2 o'clock in Grace Episcopal Church. An address of welcome will be delivered, and at 4 P. M. formal organization will follow with the election of officers and the appointment of committees.

On Thursday the Daughters of the King have early communion in Grace Church at 7 A. M., and meet again at 2 P. M. The hearing of reports of committees. At 5 P. M. the Daughters of the King will have an open meeting with a number of interesting addresses.

**Woman's Auxiliary.** The triennial thank offering of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held at Holy Trinity Church on Thursday will, perhaps, be the most interesting of the services of the woman's bodies. In

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